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SOUTHEAST ALASKA REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM, PURSE SEINE TASK FORCE, AND DRIFT GILLNET TASK FORCE MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information about the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine and Drift Gillnet Task Force meetings and the Southeast Regional Planning Team meeting.

The department holds annual meetings each year between fishery managers, researchers, aquaculture organizations, fishermen, gear group organizations, processing company representatives, and interested organizations to review the previous salmon season, to discuss topics of importance for management of the fisheries, and to plan for the following season. At the request of participants, task force meetings are held in conjunction with the Southeast Regional Planning Team (RPT) fall meeting. This year both task force meetings and the RPT meeting will be held in Ketchikan at the Ted Ferry Civic Center, Neets Bay Room, located at 888 Venetia Avenue.

Purse Seine Task Force meeting is scheduled for November 28, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Drift Gillnet Task Force meeting is scheduled for November 29, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Southeast Alaska RPT meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. For questions regarding the RPT meetings, please contact Flip Pryor, RPT Chair, at (907) 465-4222.

Agendas for the seine and gillnet meetings will be developed in cooperation between the department and the Southeast Alaska Seiners Association, the United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters Association, the Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance, and the Petersburg Vessel Owners Association. Individuals with suggested topics for discussion should contact these organizations or the department. In order to finalize the agenda, please submit suggested topics by November 1, 2017.

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